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6 7	CALL TO ORDER:	Chairman Vlad Voytilla called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Beaverton City Hall Council
8		Chambers at 4755 SW Griffith Drive.
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10	ROLL CALL:	Present were Chairman Vlad Voytilla, Planning
11		Commissioners Bob Barnard, Gary Bliss, Eric
12 13		Johansen, Brian Lynott and Dan Maks. Planning Commissioner Russell Davis was excused.
13 14		Commissioner Russen Davis was excused.
15		Planning Consultant Irish Bunnell, Assistant City
16		Attorney Ted Naemura and Recording Secretary
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26 27 28	The meeting was called to order by Chairman Voytilla, who presented the format for the meeting.	
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31 32	Chairman Voytilla asked if there were any visitors in the audience wishing to address the Commission on any non-agenda issue or item. There were none.	
33 34	STAFF COMMUNICATION	<u>N:</u>
35 36	On question, staff indic	cated that there were no communications at this time.
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39 40	Chairman Voytilla on	anad the Public Hearing and read the format for Public
40 41	Chairman Voytilla opened the Public Hearing and read the format for Public Hearings. There were no disqualifications of the Planning Commission members.	
42	No one in the audience challenged the right of any Commissioner to hear any of	
43		participate in the hearing or requested that the hearing be

postponed to a later date. He asked if there were any ex parte contact, conflict of

interest or disqualifications in any of the hearings on the agenda. There was no

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CONTINUANCES:

A. TA 2001-0001 – CHAPTER 40 UPDATE TEXT AMENDMENT

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed a comprehensive update of Chapter 40 (Permits and Applications) of the Beaverton Development Code. The proposed amendments will establish the development applications to be required in the City, the threshold(s) for determining the proper type of application to be required, and the approval criteria by which the application(s) will be evaluated. The existing Development Code contains many of the same applications, thresholds, and approval criteria. The proposed amendment will modify the existing applications, thresholds, and approval criteria and add new applications, thresholds, and approval criteria.

B. TA 2001-0002 – CHAPTER 50 UPDATE TEXT AMENDMENT

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed a comprehensive update of Chapter 50 (Procedures) of the Beaverton Development Code. The proposed amendments will establish the procedures by which development applications will be processed in the City. The procedures include, but are not limited to, initiation of an application, withdrawal of an application, application completeness, Type 1 through Type 4 application processes, and appeal(s), expiration, extension, and modification of decisions. The proposed amendment will modify existing procedures found in the Development Code and establish new procedures to be made a part of the Code.

C. TA 2001-0003 – CHAPTER 10 UPDATE TEXT AMENDMENT

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed a comprehensive update of Chapter 10 (General Provisions) of the Beaverton Development Code. The proposed amendments will establish the legal framework of the Development Code. Topics include, but are not limited to, compliance, interpretation, zoning districts, zoning map, fees, conditions of approval, enforcement, and development review participants. Development review participants include the City Council, Planning Commission, Board of Design Review, Facilities Review Committee, and the Community Development Director.

D. TA 2001-0004 – CHAPTER 60 UPDATE TEXT AMENDMENT

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed amendments to Chapter 60 (Special Requirements) of the Beaverton Development Code. The proposed amendments have been necessitated by the comprehensive updates to Chapter 40 and Chapter 50 of the Development Code. The proposed amendments will establish new special requirements for Land Division Standards and Planned Unit Development. The amendments propose to modify existing Special Use Regulations for Accessory Dwelling Unit, Accessory Uses and Structures, as

well as existing special requirements for Transportation Facilities and Trees and Vegetation. The amendments also propose to delete the provisions pertaining to Historic Preservation and Temporary Use Permits.

E. TA 2001-0005 – CHAPTER 90 UPDATE TEXT AMENDMENT

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed amendments to Chapter 90 (Definitions) of the Beaverton Development Code. The proposed amendments have been necessitated by the comprehensive updates to Chapter 40 and Chapter 50 of the Development Code. The proposed amendments will add definitions of new terms and amend existing definitions of terms use in the Development Code.

F. <u>TA 2001-0007 – BEAVERTON MUNICIPAL CODE TEXT</u> <u>AMENDMENT</u>

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed amendments to the Beaverton Municipal Code. The proposed amendments have been necessitated by the comprehensive updates to Chapter 40 and Chapter 50 of the Development Code. The proposed amendments will ensure that there is consistency between the provisions of the Municipal Code and the Development Code.

G. TA 2001-0008 – CHAPTER 20 UPDATE TEXT AMENDMENT

(Continued from November 7, 2001)

The City of Beaverton has proposed amendments to Chapter 20 (Land Uses) of Code. The proposed amendments have been necessitated by the comprehensive updates to Chapter 40 and Chapter 50 of the Development Code. The proposed amendments will also reorganize the Multiple Use zoning (Section 20.20) to make the Multiple Use zoning text read more clearly.

On question, Commissioner Lynott informed Chairman Voytilla that although he had been reviewing the tapes from the previous work sessions he had missed regarding the proposed text amendments, he has not yet completed his review of all of the tapes.

7:07 p.m. – Commissioner Barnard arrived.

7:08 p.m. to 7:24 p.m. -- Observing that a substantial amount of material had been submitted to the Planning Commissioners this evening, including communications from Todd Sadlo, attorney representing *Home Depot, Inc.*, and Phillip E. Grillo, representing *Miller/Nash LLP, Attorneys at Law*, both dated November 14, 2001, Chairman Voytilla called for a recess to provide for an opportunity to review this information.

At the request of Commissioner Maks, Chairman Voytilla reopened the Public Hearing for the purpose of receiving public testimony.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY:

<u>PHIL GRILLO</u>, attorney representing *Miller/Nash LLP*, *Attorneys at Law*, apologized for submitting this information at this late time, offering to briefly summarize his concerns and respond to any questions and comments.

Commissioner Maks referred to Issue No. 1 listed in Mr. Grillo's letter, which specifically addresses the scope of Type 1 and Type 2 appeal requirements, requesting clarification of the requirement that any appeal be made by an individual "of record", which means that it is necessary for this individual to have provided either written or oral testimony regarding the issue of appeal. He pointed out that this is considered the first evidentiary hearing.

Mr. Grillo explained that the issue of who is able to appeal is slightly different from the scope of appeal once this appeal has been filed, expressing his opinion that it is still possible for cities and counties to establish limitations on who is able to appeal. He clarified that once an appeal has been filed, the practical problem involves a citizen who appeals and the appeal is to be heard at the first evidentiary hearing. Other individuals who wish to testify as witnesses on their behalf take part in that first evidentiary hearing. He emphasized that it becomes difficult to manage exactly who is and who is not permitted to testify, observing that he is generally in the position of representing applicants. He pointed out that limited land use decisions allow an entity to narrow down those issues in what he considers a more legitimate manner.

Commissioner Maks clarified that the current procedure addresses the appeal of a Type 2 application, which could be presented to the Planning Commission, adding that new evidence could be presented at this appeal hearing, emphasizing that this evidence would not be limited to what is on the record.

Assistant City Attorney Ted Naemura mentioned that in attempt to address this issue, the City's approach had been write the code to focus on the appeal only without trying to shape the procedures of the Planning Director. He expressed his opinion that a de novo appeal out of a Type 1 decision would satisfy the bill.

Commissioner Maks questioned whether a Type 1 decision would be considered de novo.

Mr. Grillo advised Commissioner Maks that both Type 1 and Type 2 decisions would be considered de novo.

Commissioner Maks requested clarification of whether this would address the issue.

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 Mr. Grillo pointed out that the use of this term has created problems for numerous jurisdictions, noting that de novo means "to hear it again", when there has actually never been a hearing and there is nothing to be de novo from.

Commissioner Maks suggested that it might be simpler to indicate that procedurally, the appeal would be a Type 2 hearing from the Planning Commission or the Board of Design Review.

Mr. Grillo emphasized that while this is one approach, he would prefer to call it the first evidentiary hearing, adding that any issue that is relevant could be addressed at this first hearing, which simplifies the process. On question, he defined a hearing, depending upon whether it involves a statutory land use decision situation or a limited land use decision situation.

 Commissioner Maks pointed out that with a Type 2 application, notice is provided beforehand, evidence is received and reviewed, and findings are made. He mentioned that since notice was provided and evidence allowed to be presented, that, in his opinion, would quantify as a hearing.

Mr. Grillo advised Commissioner Maks that this is dependent upon the statutory process involved, observing that while ORS 197763 involves regular land use decisions, a situation involving limited land use decisions involve a more limited hearing and different notification provisions and boundaries. He pointed out that while due process provides for the right of cross-examination, this is not done with land use decisions. Observing that there are three different basic types of hearings, he mentioned expedited land use decisions, limited land use decisions and statutory land use decisions.

Observing that Mr. Grillo had brought up some relevant issues, Commissioner Maks conceded that while there could be some problems with Type 1 decisions, he is not certain that there would be issues with Type 2 decisions.

On question, Planning Consultant Irish Bunnell advised Commissioner Johansen that the Planning Director has the ability to apply conditions to a Type 2 application and that a member of the public who reviews the application and has no objections and submits no testimony would not receive a copy of the Planning Director's decision, including Conditions of Approval that have not been available previously. That person who did not participate would be precluded from appealing the decision, based upon the Conditions of Approval. He emphasized that any individual wishing to appeal must be considered a party of record, meaning that this individual has submitted either written or oral testimony, adding that the intent is to encourage the public to participate in the process from the beginning.

Commissioner Johansen expressed his opinion that this suggests that it would be beneficial to submit some testimony every time a Type 2 application is submitted, in order to get on the record and retain your right to appeal.

Expressing his agreement with Commissioner Johansen, Chairman Voytilla pointed out that if an individual does not get on record and does not approve of any of the Conditions of Approval, they are still prevented from participating in the remainder of the process.

Commissioner Maks pointed out that a letter or a telephone call serves to ensure that an individual is considered part of the official record. Referring to the Consolidated Review Process, he mentioned that there are different Type 3 applications being processed through the Planning Commission and the Board of Design Review for the same applicant, and questioned the significance if the application is not appealed.

Mr. Grillo stated that this does not matter as much if a Type 2 or a Type 3 application is involved, adding that he does have concerns with both being considered together. He pointed out that there is potentially a different level of problem with Type 2 applications under the proposed system, emphasizing that they can never be presented simultaneously to the City Council.

Commissioner Maks mentioned that a Type 1, Type 2 and a Type 3 could be "wrapped" into a Type 3 application.

Mr. Grillo agreed that this could be done.

 Commissioner Maks emphasized that not everyone approves of the dual process, adding that although the resolution of tied votes in a Planning Director's Interpretation would effectively deny the appeal, facts and findings would be necessary for a Land Use Decision, emphasizing that he would like more information regarding this issue. He discussed interpretations of the Development Code, and requested clarification of whether an appeal of the Planning Director's Interpretation is addressed to the City Council.

Mr. Bunnell advised Commissioner Maks that he would review the Development Code and address this issue as soon as he found the appropriate information.

Mr. Grillo stated that generally, most of the Development Code interpretation occurs during the course of normal business by the Planning Commission or the Board of Design Review and involves a policy issue.

Commissioner Maks clarified that the Planning Director interprets a Type 2 application and that an individual has the right to appeal his interpretation of the Development Code as it relates to this application, adding that the Planning Commission becomes the final determinating factor of the intent of the

Development Code. He expressed his opinion that this issue should be reviewed and addressed.

Mr. Naemura commented that this could, in some applications, such as CUP's, include Comprehensive Plan sections, as well, expressing his opinion that this would be included in the approval criteria, by reference.

Commissioner Johansen requested clarification of whether this discussion very narrowly involves Planning Director Interpretations.

Mr. Grillo explained that the Board of Design Review issues involves numerous design criteria that are sometimes difficult to interpret.

Mr. Bunnell clarified that there are two different code interpretations, one of which involves an application within the proposed Chapter 40 and is officially called a Planning Director's Interpretation, which can be appealed straight to the City Council. The City Council is ultimately responsible for interpreting the Development Code. He pointed out that the other interpretation they are referring to is made by every staff member reviewing applications within the Development Services Division. These interpretations are made on a day-to-day basis, and are not actually appeal able. Only the official Director's Interpretation can be appealed. The Director's Interpretation is applied for and answered in writing.

Commissioner Maks referred to the issue of rough proportionality, specifically the section that states, as follows: "...or to fulfill an identified need for public services caused by the impact of the proposal."

 Mr. Grillo stated that he agrees in principal, adding that his only comment is that he would expect that this type of public issue would be reflected within the relevant approval criteria to determine the burden of proof. He further clarified that he agrees as long as it is connected to proportionality caused by the development, which is the principal he is attempting to stick to, and suggested that this should be driven by the criteria, rather an a procedural section elsewhere within the Development Code.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that it is the burden of proof for the applicant to prove that there is no impact. He referred to failure to fulfill previous conditions, noting that this involves a different site and suggesting that this issue be discussed with staff.

Mr. Grillo commented that he understands the practical policy issue, adding that at the risk of suggesting that staff be obligated to do even more at the beginning of the process, this could be included as a requirement prior to having a project deemed complete.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that after a certain amount of time, an applicant has the right to declare that an application is complete, adding that staff is then required to process the application.

Mr. Grillo agreed that it is possible to force your way through that process, adding that as a practical matter, this would be extremely difficult to manage in a particular case. He noted that the City of Portland has something akin to that, which he referred to as the "reconsideration process", emphasizing that anyone who has ever been through this would agree that while it can be a very powerful tool, it also involves a terrible process. He expressed his opinion that this particular issue deserves more attention, emphasizing that this should not create a sideshow.

Commissioner Maks questioned whether there is another way of achieving this in other jurisdictions, such as the City of Portland. He emphasized that he does not respect the word of any developer who has not fulfilled the Conditions of Approval on a previous project, adding that he does not want to approve any of their applications.

Mr. Grillo pointed out that it is sometimes not possible to fulfill Conditions of Approval without a new land use application, adding that the phrase "shall not approve" basically eliminates the ability of an applicant to resolve some issues and problems. He suggested that some of these issues could be addressed at the administrative level by the Planning Director, who would then catch these issues, and that this could be discretionary, even at the hearing level.

 Commissioner Johansen mentioned that Code Enforcement is not adequate to enforce these Conditions of Approval, adding that he would like to find a more effective way to provide this necessary enforcement without creating additional work for staff.

Mr. Grillo observed that his primary concern involves the potential for creating a sideshow, expressing his opinion that this should be considered further.

Commissioner Johansen mentioned that he could only recall the sideshow situation in once application, specifically Waterhouse, adding that it had become necessary to eliminate comments from one particular individual.

Observing that the Board of Design Review has required that HVAC equipment be screened on top of a structure for fifteen years, Commissioner Maks stated that he is aware of at least three locations where this condition has been required but has not been fulfilled. He suggested that the language should be changed to reflect that a new application could not go forward until the Conditions of Approval in the prior application had been addressed.

1 Mr. Grillo suggested that the Planning Commission could have the authority to condition approval on this type of thing, specifically a particular issue that they 2 had become aware of during the hearing, adding that this might reduce the 3 4 potential for a sideshow. 5 Mr. Bunnell mentioned that a criterion could be created providing that any 6 previous projects must be fulfilled. 7 8 Mr. Grillo suggested that rather than creating that criterion, the Planning 9 Commission should obtain the authority under the Conditions of Approval to 10 allow them to condition approval of a subsequent application upon the fulfillment 11 of any Conditions of Approval within a prior application. 12

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Commissioner Bliss mentioned that he had discussed this issue with either City or County staff, adding that proportionality could create a potential conflict.

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Commissioner Maks expressed his agreement with Commissioner Bliss' comment, adding that the burden of proof is on the applicant to prove that they would do what they have indicated that they would do. He pointed out that it would be necessary to provide significant evidence indicating that the applicant has failed to fulfill these conditions in the past.

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Mr. Grillo suggested that he had encountered this situation as the Hearings Officer for the City of Portland, adding that he had routinely conditioned applicants on having to go through a Code Enforcement proceeding.

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28 29 Commissioner Bliss mentioned that it might be beneficial to determine how certain issues actually occurred, adding that it is possible that the City had not fulfilled their obligations to make certain that issues were addressed prior to final acceptance.

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Commissioner Maks emphasized that whether or not the issue came to the attention of the City of Beaverton, the issues would have been addressed if the applicant had fulfilled the required obligations.

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Commissioner Barnard pointed out that the procedure still involves final occupancy, inspection, entry and other components of the procedure.

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Commissioner Barnard expressed his opinion that although there could be a provision within the Development Code to safeguard everything that could possibly happen, he had never been aware of any application in which there had been any concern expressed because the applicant had failed to fulfill other obligations.

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Commissioner Maks emphasized that this does not occur very often, adding that he can only recall four times in the 8-1/2 years he has served on the Planning

Commission. He pointed out that he is very unhappy when he has a major proposal in front of him when he is aware that he is unable to take any action with a developer who has not fulfilled prior Conditions of Approval.

Commissioner Barnard expressed his opinion that there is an ability to enforce a Condition of Approval, observing that the City of Beaverton has a Code Enforcement Officer.

Commissioner Maks advised Commissioner Barnard that enough staff is not available to address all issues that need to be addressed.

Chairman Voytilla observed that he understands that there is a serious lack of communication, expressing his opinion that while it is easy to look at the negative aspects, the majority of the applicants do conform and address applicable criteria. He pointed out that the multi-phase projects include numerous Conditions of Approval, noting that times change, conditions change, lenders change and partners change, which often requires certain adjustments.

Commissioner Maks expressed his agreement with Chairman Voytilla's comments.

Chairman Voytilla emphasized that flexibility is important.

Agreeing that flexibility is important and it is possible to modify a PUD or a CUP, Commissioner Maks observed that the bottom line is whether an application has been conditioned.

TODD SADLO, attorney representing *Home Depot, Inc.*, discussed the ability to conduct seasonal outdoor sales of living plant materials that are received in huge quantities at various times of the year, emphasizing that it is not feasible to locate all of these items within the garden center. He expressed his opinion that the five percent limitation on outdoor sales within this particular zone is intended to prevent individuals from doing the type of things described by Commissioner Maks, such as car lots, adding that it addresses the type of development that already exists along Canyon Road, invading the Community Service (CS) district. He emphasized that this type of development does not include *Home Depot, Inc.*, adding that they have a very attractive building and would simply like to be allowed to make maximum use of the parking lot at various time of the year for the sale of their plant materials. Observing that his client is currently required to provide a minimum of 448 parking spaces, he mentioned that this predates the Metro title, which has not established a minimum, adding that they would actually provide 495 parking spaces.

Chairman Voytilla cautioned Mr. Sadlo that he is referring to a specific application that has not been addressed by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Sadlo advised Chairman Voytilla that the Planning Commission would not be reviewing this application.

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Chairman Voytilla requested that Mr. Sadlo address the Planning Commission in more generic terms.

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Referring to the parking standard of a minimum of 448 parking spaces, Mr. Sadlo reiterated that his client would be providing 495 parking spaces, adding that he believes that 389 parking spaces would be adequate to accommodate all customers within that parking lot, without including the five percent that is already being utilized within the parking lot. Emphasizing that plenty of room is available, he pointed out that it would not become necessary for customers to park out in the street to shop at this facility. He mentioned that both of these options require an amendment to the newly created use of excess parking provision, he pointed out that he is not certain of the origin of this provision and these limitations. He noted that his client would like an opportunity to prove that all of those parking spaces are not necessary, adding that if this could be accomplished, the extra space could be utilized for a purpose better than empty asphalt. He pointed out that regardless of whether his client's request is accommodated, there are issues within the Development Code that need to be addressed. He mentioned that his client would like the Development Code to allow an amount of up to fifteen percent, in addition to the current five percent, for seasonal outdoor sales of live plant material, adding that this could be conditioned to make certain that any display is not unsightly and that any additional space utilized is not necessary for parking purposes.

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28 29 Commissioner Bliss expressed his opinion that a minimum of twenty percent of the required parking is trying to maintain within the air quality, specifically that while there is a minimum standard, there is not a unlimited amount of parking that could be available.

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Mr. Bunnell clarified that this information is buried in Chapter 60 of the existing code, which addresses excess parking, although because there is no specific application or procedure included within the existing code, they have removed this language from Chapter 60 and included it in Chapter 40, including an application and procedure within Chapter 50. He further clarified that it is necessary to show that at least twenty percent of the required parking is not utilized and can therefore be considered excess parking and utilized for another purpose. He emphasized that the term used in the code for parking above the required parking number is referred to as surplus parking. Excess parking is required parking that is not used.

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Commissioner Bliss referred to the request for an additional fifteen percent, beyond the original five percent, for a total of twenty percent, pointing out that he has an issue with the fifteen percent.

Mr. Sadlo clarified that there may be a misunderstanding, noting that his client believes that they are overdoing the parking, both because the space is available and it is required by the Development Code. He emphasized that if his client is required to stick to these standards, additional room is still available for seasonal outdoor plant sales, emphasizing that they should not be denied the option of obtaining a temporary permit, which would be the result of the current proposal. He reiterated that there is too much parking available and that this space could be better utilized for outdoor plant sales, emphasizing that twenty percent of this large parking lot is a lot of space. Observing that the Development Code requires his client to prove that twenty percent of their parking space is not necessary, he expressed his opinion that this amount is not feasible when they do not intend to utilize nearly that amount for outdoor plant sales. He explained that they would like to utilize an amount equaling fifteen percent of the gross floor area of the actual structure, rather than twenty percent of the parking area, adding that current restrictions limit the outdoor sales/storage/display to five percent of the structure. He emphasized that the current proposal limits outdoor sales/storage/display to time periods of 45 days twice a year.

Commissioner Bliss pointed out that 295 days out of a year is not temporary or a short period of time, adding that a simplistic approach should identify the areas necessary for these temporary sales.

Mr. Sadlo advised Commissioner Bliss that the proposed Option 2 provides for an increase in the amount allowed.

Commissioner Maks requested clarification of what staff is attempting to accomplish in this particular section of the code, which specifically addresses temporary non-mobile sales. He pointed out that he does not approve of Option 2, adding that Option 1 is more compatible with his intentions. Observing that a business should be allowed to utilize five percent of the gross floor area of their structure for outdoor plant storage, he emphasized that he does not approve of displaying items such as fertilizer, lawn mowers and chippers outside and that 275 out of 365 is, in his opinion, a permanent use, rather than temporary. He requested clarification of whether a separate subsection addressing this issue is feasible, rather than changing eight criteria. He expressed his opinion that the non-mobile sales category is aimed at establishments such as taco trucks, pointing out that if a significant number of criteria within one section are revised, an additional section might be necessary.

Mr. Sadlo emphasized that some revisions are necessary for clarification purposes.

Commissioner Maks questioned the feasibility of a specific category for temporary living items.

Mr. Bunnell observed that there are several issues involved, noting that philosophically, the direction to staff had been to reduce the length of time that these temporary uses are allowed, as well as the number of times these uses can be extended. He mentioned that another issue involves the five percent of the gross floor area of the building, which is allowed outright in the CS zone, noting that the same is true of Convenience/Commercial, Neighborhood Service and Town Center/Sub-Regional. He pointed out that while Office/Commercial allows for no outdoor storage, General/Commercial allows for 100% outdoor storage, adding that the examples cited in Mr. Sadlo's letter are in General/Commercial zones in other cities. He suggested that the amount of outdoor storage to be allowed in any of these zones should be discussed in context with Chapter 20, in its entirety, emphasizing that he does not believe that this is the appropriate time to discuss this issue.

Expressing his agreement with Mr. Bunnell, Commissioner Maks pointed out that he has no issue with the five percent limitation, adding that he feels that this is appropriate.

Mr. Bunnell reiterated that there is a philosophical shift in the temporary uses, noting that the Development Code allows for a certain percentage of outdoor display on a permanent basis. He pointed out that a temporary use involves another issue, above and beyond that five percent limitation, adding that this includes tent sales, fireworks, circuses, etc.

Emphasizing that the five percent is permitted outright throughout the year, Commissioner Maks requested clarification of what Mr. Sadlo is requesting.

Mr. Sadlo explained that his concern is with seasonal sales that would have been allowed with a temporary permit in the past, observing that seasonal (fireworks and Christmas trees), with a 45-day time limit, does not actually serve the purpose intended by his client.

Emphasizing that the five percent unlimited is allowed all of the time, Commissioner Maks expressed his opinion that while this should not be unlimited, it should be possible to expand beyond five percent, provided that parking is not impacted. He pointed out that temporary use should not exceed the 120-day time limitation.

Mr. Sadlo suggested that the Planning Director could issue a permit providing when an applicant would be allowed to operate temporarily for 120 days.

Commissioner Maks mentioned that he has an issue with the phrase "associated with their business", observing that no business owner would be displaying outdoor merchandise that is not associated with their business.

Commissioner Barnard pointed out that as a retailer, he has been approached numerous times by individuals not associated with his business who are requesting to utilize the parking lot for their own purposes, for the purpose of selling rugs, plaques, signs, etc.

Expressing his agreement, Mr. Maks commented that efforts should be made to eliminate the "rug hangers" and "picture framers" with the cyclone fences, adding that their space and time should be limited.

Emphasizing that this involves a philosophical issue, Mr. Bunnell observed that this is temporary uses that are not associated with a permanent business, clarifying the difference between "Maks' Christmas Tree Lot" and a Christmas Tree Lot operated by *Home Depot, Inc.*, which he referred to as temporary non-mobile sales.

Mr. Sadlo requested clarification of why his client should not be allowed to sell Christmas trees, emphasizing that he objects to the Planning Commission eliminating their ability to sell live plant materials on a seasonal basis.

Commissioner Maks pointed out that he has no problem with the live plant sales, adding that he does object to an ugly cyclone fence located in the middle of a parking lot.

Mr. Bunnell mentioned that the language that is in the CS zone includes a use restriction, which provides for the following: "...activities conducted wholly within the enclosed structure, except for outside play areas for day care and school facilities..."; and "...accessory open air sales, display and storage shall constitute no more than five percent of the gross building floor area..."

Commissioner Maks expressed concern with creating problems for the smaller retail, such as the local hardware store.

Mr. Sadlo emphasized that he does not understand why there is an issue with getting these permits issued.

The public portion of the Public Hearing was closed.

Chairman Voytilla observed that he would like to get consensus from everyone regarding the issues, beginning with Chapter 40.

Referring to his comments at the work session, Commissioner Bliss emphasized that he still sees the same language and still has the same issues, particularly that every project is supposed to fit the site and it does not work. He referred to page AP-2, Section 40.03, No. 9, expressing his opinion that the Development Code is very repetitive and restrictive, adding that there is already a situation in which if a preliminary plan and a final plan differ by two feet, an applicant is back to Square

One. He discussed contouring, grading and wall issues, emphasizing that there are too many restrictions and noted that he had requested that this issue be addressed at a work session with no success.

Commissioner Bliss referred to page AP-24, which addresses the time line on a PUD, noting that although this has been discussed, he believes the proposal is more restrictive than the prior wording. He suggested that this be dealt with on a sliding scale, adding that he has no problem with the final plan being submitted within two years of the preliminary plan and that the construction of each subsequent stage should be initiated within two years of the prior stage. Observing that the economy tends to be based upon a seven-year cycle, he emphasized that this issue needs to be readdressed.

Commissioner Bliss referred to page AP-26, Section 40.15.15.5.C.8, which states, as follows: "...have a minimum impact on livability in the surrounding area within a half mile of the subject site." He commented that he finds this statement too broad, adding that it is ludicrous to think that some small development such as a duplex would impact some property located a half a mile away.

Commissioner Bliss referred to the bottom of page AP-38 and AP-42, Item 9, reiterating that he has issues with the grading, adding that this issue occurs several times throughout this chapter.

Concluding his comments regarding Chapter 40, Commissioner Bliss referred to page AP-112, observing that he had replaced holiday with seasonal and that he feels that this issue had been adequately discussed this evening.

Commissioner Johansen mentioned that he has three issues with Chapter 40, observing that he had distributed copies of his concerns with the existing code language and recommending specific language. Noting that the first issue is with the approval criteria for a CUP, he mentioned that the existing Development Code contains language with respect to compatibility and minimum impact on the livability and appropriate development of other properties in the surrounding neighborhood. He expressed his opinion that this is very critical language that has been eliminated from the current proposal, suggesting that the ability of the 158th Avenue/Walker Road area to develop as Office/Commercial had become significantly diminished as an overwhelming amount of CUPs were granted within the area. He requested that this language be added back into the Development Code.

Commissioner Johansen discussed the approval criteria for quasi-judicial zone changes, specifically the changes from R-3.5 to R-2 and from R-7 to R-5, requiring a demonstration of adequate public facilities to service the increase in density, adding that this valuable language did not get carried over into the current proposal and should be restored.

Commissioner Johansen referred to Section 40.75.15.1.C., observing that throughout the revision, the decision-making authority in this particular case has been deferred to the City Council, adding that this should be consistent throughout the Development Code.

On question, Commissioner Barnard had no comments regarding Chapter 40.

Observing that this had been discussed in the work session, Commissioner Maks referred to pages AP-15 and AP-16, which addresses modifications of conditional uses, both minor and major, adding that it should not be necessary to go through a huge process to simply change a doorway or window. He mentioned that a Type 3 hearing should go back through a Type 3 hearing process for modification, adding that a minor modification does not meet this specific criterion. He agreed with Commissioner Johansen's statement regarding appropriate development, adding that the fast food Mecca on 158th Avenue is a good example. He agreed with Commissioner Bliss' opinion regarding the half-mile distance from the subject site, adding that in some instances, a half mile is too great, while in another's, a half mile is not enough. He emphasized that this issue should be up to the discretion of the hearing body, adding that the previous language had been adequate. Observing that it is true that the closer to the development, the greater the impact, is true in eighty percent of the cases, some situations create a greater impact further from the development.

Referring to page AP-48, Commissioner Maks questioned whether the endorsement flexible setback should not require the permission of the adjacent property owners.

Observing that he is unable to delegate that particular authority to a property owner, Mr. Bunnell emphasized that this permission comes from the City of Beaverton, rather than the property owner.

Commissioner Maks referred to the approval criteria.

Mr. Bunnell stated that the title of this particular application is Flexible Setback and Individual Lot with Endorsement, emphasizing that the word permission is not used and that the threshold demonstrates abutting property owners of record.

Commissioner Maks referred to page AP-127, and questioned the potential removal of ten conditioned trees through a Type 2 Planning Director's decision after they had been previously conditioned through a Type 3 CUP or PUD.

Mr. Bunnell clarified that this is not a modification of a condition, but a modification of the approved landscape plan by removing trees that were not conditioned under the previous approval, adding that this falls under the same category as a modification of any other previous approval.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that any modification to a Condition of Approval requires approval by the Planning Commission, adding that this needs to be clarified at the level of understanding of an eighth grader. Referring to variances, Commissioner Maks discussed the adjustment process, requesting clarification of whether he could do an adjustment to a setback. Mr. Bunnell advised Commissioner Maks that a setback could have either a minor or a major adjustment, which would result in 10% to 50%, although greater than 50% would require a variance. Commissioner Maks discussed a potential 40% adjustment to a rear yard setback, reducing an R-7 zone required 25-foot setback to a 14-foot setback, requesting clarification of the process for a major adjustment.

Mr. Bunnell stated that this would involve a Type 3 application, which would require a Public Hearing, adding that a setback could be modified by 10% through an administrative process, specifically a Planning Director's decision.

Commissioner Maks questioned what the side yard setback is in an R-5 zone.

Mr. Bunnell informed Commissioner Maks that the side yard setback in an R-5 zone is five feet, adding that this could be administratively modified by up to six inches without having a Public Hearing.

On question, both Commissioner Lynott and Chairman Voytilla indicated that they had no questions or comments at this time.

Mr. Bunnell requested further direction, observing that staff had made no changes following the work sessions because the work session had mainly involved conversation and that he would prefer some indication of a consensus prior to making any revisions. He referred to the half-mile zone of influence, emphasizing that this is an effort to let the Development Code do the work, rather than requiring staff to make a determination with each separate application, emphasizing that this is discretionary decision and open to challenge.

Chairman Voytilla pointed out that this appears to be a harsh requirement for an applicant to address.

Mr. Bunnell agreed that while this could be a harsh requirement for some applications, there would be no issue in others.

Chairman Voytilla requested clarification of whether this would be generated more by traffic impacts or utilities, specifically whether there could be another way of still providing for that elsewhere, such as through a Traffic Study.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that that a Traffic Study is only necessary within the half-mile radius, adding that the impact could extend beyond that distance. He pointed out that there are instances in which the Development Code is not able to carry all the weight.

Mr. Bunnell questioned the possibility of defining an impact with regard to the size of the project, specifically the distance and zone of influence related to the size of the project.

Commissioner Maks commented that a lot of the impact is due to the traffic generation.

Commissioner Barnard suggested that this definition be related to the trip generation, rather than the size of the project.

Commissioner Maks stated that this involves not only the number of trips, adding that the location, surrounding neighborhood and trip distribution are also involved.

 Commissioner Bliss described a project he is currently working on, specifically a home for individuals with medical disabilities, observing that this small development situated in a residential area would have a very limited impact on the surrounding neighborhood. He pointed out that the half-mile radius involves an area that has no association and would have no impact.

Emphasizing that the goal is for the Development Code to carry more weight, Commissioner Maks agreed that there are some objective issues that are largely dependent upon the location.

Chairman Voytilla commented that the applicant could easily provide a reasonable description of the area and why it is not necessary to consider the entire half-mile radius.

Commissioner Bliss expressed his opinion that an individual located a half mile away from a proposal could create a great deal of unnecessary problems, noting that this could be detrimental to some of the small assisted care facilities.

Mr. Bunnell suggested that the language regarding the half-mile radius be revised to indicate that consideration should be given for up to this half-mile or even a mile while also providing that this entire distance may or may not be necessary.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that location largely determines whether or not any impact exists, observing that the impact could easily extend beyond the half-mile indicated.

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1 Mr. Bunnell pointed out that it is necessary to be able to provide specific guidelines for any applicant who walks in the door. 2 3 4 Chairman Voytilla questioned whether staff is suggesting to the applicant that it would only be necessary to address a certain level within the required upper limit. 5 6 7 Expressing his opinion that a specified upper limit is important, Mr. Bunnell advised Chairman Voytilla that staff would be inform an applicant of the 8 necessity to provide proof that it is not necessary to address the highest level 9 within the upper limit, emphasizing that the burden of proof is on the applicant. 10 11 Chairman Voytilla mentioned that prior to attempting to achieve consensus 12 among the Planning Commissioners, staff should first address some of the issues 13 that have been brought up. 14 15 Mr. Bunnell referred to Commissioner Bliss' concerns with grading. 16 17 Commissioner Barnard mentioned that while he understands Commissioner Bliss' 18 concerns, in his opinion, the development on Murray Boulevard and Beard Road 19 has been graded to death, and questioned what actually constitutes a minimum 20 amount of grading. 21 22 23 Commissioner Bliss emphasized that what actually constitutes a minimum amount of grading is actually his point. 24 25 Commissioner Barnard questioned whether Commissioner Bliss feels that the 26 guidelines are too restrictive and is suggesting that applicants could not provide 27 necessary grading. 28 29 Commissioner Bliss expressed his opinion that the grading at Murray Boulevard 30 and Beard Road would not even meet the test, emphasizing that this site has 31 involved mass grading from one end to the other. He pointed out that this area is 32 zoned for a purpose, adding that it is necessary to do a great deal of grading in 33 order to meet all applicable criteria and address density requirements. 34 35 Observing that this involves the existing Development Code, Commissioner 36 Barnard commented that this project has been accomplished with this restriction, 37 adding that in theory, the developer is indicating that they had graded the property 38 to the minimum possible. He expressed his opinion that this developer had 39 accomplished a great deal under this restriction. 40 41

Commissioner Bliss agreed that a great deal had been accomplished through the cooperative efforts of the developer and staff, expressing his opinion that although it did work, the younger people have a tendency to be very restrictive and focus inward.

Commissioner Barnard questioned whether this restriction would serve to prevent a developer from clear-cutting and leveling a site.

Commissioner Maks requested clarification of whether applications that are driven by this language are being submitted and pointed out that the majority of this massive grading is being done to accommodate a very unusual water quality. He expressed concern with the potential to prevent applicants from creating a unique project simply to avoid addressing unusual issues.

Commissioner Bliss referred to page AP-38, Item No. 10, observing that although this addresses the same issue, it is worded in different language, specifically "adverse effect of grading and contouring on a natural vegetation and appearance on the site". He pointed out that he prefers to look to the future, rather than what has occurred in the past.

9:22 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. – break.

Chairman Voytilla observed that he would like to receive comments from staff at this time.

Observing that staff would attempt to create more appropriate language regarding grading, Mr. Bunnell stated that both the Facilities Review and Design Review are basically verbatim existing language within the Development. He pointed out that staff had purposely not addressed these issues because they had determined that this would involve an entire text amendment in and of itself.

Chairman Voytilla observed that while a developer attempts to address every possible issue within a site, including grading, drainage and natural characteristics, he believes that when manufacturing a site that looks artificial, a better project is created by compensating with additional landscaping or other features. He mentioned the terraced hillsides that have been manufactured in southern California, emphasizing that he would not like to see this occur here.

Mr. Bunnell mentioned that Commissioner Johansen had provided a very helpful matrix, observing that staff had intentionally deleted the word "appropriate". He explained that appropriate includes all uses that are permitted within a zone as well as all conditional uses that are permitted within a zone that are deemed up front to be appropriate.

Commissioner Johansen agreed, pointing out that within the Comprehensive Plan with a previous application there had also been the language that addressed conditional uses being supportive, adding that this would affect the appropriate development of a zone.

Mr. Bunnell observed that he is not certain how to address the word appropriate, noting that these appropriate uses are listed.

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 Commissioner Maks disagreed with Mr. Bunnell, pointing out that according to the Comprehensive Plan, the conditioned uses within a Conditional Use Permit are there for a reason, emphasizing that outright use is also a permitted use. He mentioned that allowing so many fast-food restaurants eliminates the potential for Office Commercial, emphasizing that conditional uses are intended to be supportive of a zone and would not function alone.

Mr. Bunnell responded to Commissioner Johnson's concern with specifically designating the City Council as the decision-making authority, observing although the Development Code designates different bodies as the decision-making authority for different issues, sometimes this is left generic when a decision could involve more than one body. He expressed his concern with addressing Commissioner Maks' comments regarding modifications to conditional uses.

Chairman Voytilla referred to the discussion during the work session regarding this specific issue, observing that this could potentially create a major delay with regard to the ongoing construction.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that it is necessary to clarify certain issues for the benefit of the public, noting that the public is not receiving the benefit of due process when revisions are made without their input.

Mr. Bunnell pointed out that several design review thresholds specifically address that sort of situation.

Chairman Voytilla expressed his opinion that there are situations in which a staff interpretation could create unnecessary issues.

Commissioner Maks stated that this involves raw building product and structure and an expansion of a use that has been approved, emphasizing that he does not agree.

Mr. Bunnell questioned whether Commissioner Maks is indicating that there should not be a process for this action.

Chairman Voytilla suggested that this might involve a minor modification that could be processed over the counter, adding that this action is not changing the character, use, size, parking or vehicular trips, which are normally involved in a land use issue.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that his concern is with impacting infrastructure.

Mr. Bunnell pointed out that the threshold that had been mentioned does not affect character, use, size, parking or vehicular trips.

1 Chairman Voytilla requested that staff address the issues within this section and provide revisions to be reviewed. 2 3 4 Mr. Bunnell stated that staff has received adequate direction to proceed with potential revisions to prepare for the next Public Hearing. 5 6 Commissioner Johansen questioned whether Mr. Bunnell had addressed his 7 concern with the quasi-judicial zone change. 8 9 Observing that he had not addressed this issue, Mr. Bunnell stated that he believes 10 that this language had been omitted because it addresses zone changes within a 11 Comprehensive Plan designation with facilities that could be made adequate. 12 13 Commissioner Johansen commented that he believes that at some point, this 14 language had been included to the Development Code in response to very specific 15 developments, expressing his opinion that this provides very important language 16 in some cases. 17 18 Commissioner Maks expressed his agreement with Commissioner Johansen's 19 20 comments. 21 22 Mr. Bunnell stated that he is not certain why this particular language was removed, adding that he will review the issue and report back to the Planning 23 Commission. 24 25 Chairman Voytilla reiterated that he is attempting to get consensus regarding the 26 issues, noting that he would now like to address Chapter 50. 27 28 Observing that he had not noticed this during Code Review, Commissioner Maks 29 referred to page PR-10 and pointed out that regulations regarding Neighborhood 30 Meetings had been revised and expressed his opinion that the intent of the original 31 language is not reflected within the proposed amendments. He emphasized that 32 the applicant is responsible for coordinating with the appropriate NAC to 33 schedule a Neighborhood Meeting. 34 35 Commissioner Bliss expressed his agreement with Commissioner Maks' 36 comments, pointing out that sometimes these Neighborhood Meetings are not 37 scheduled appropriately for the NAC to provide notification to the neighborhood. 38 39 Referring to page PR-24, Commissioner Maks pointed out that the Development 40 Code does not provide that an application can be approved or denied while 41

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Mr. Bunnell referred to a Memorandum dated November 9, 2001 from Mr. Sparks addressing this specific issue.

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Commissioner Maks referred to page PR-32, and questioned whether it is 1 appropriate for the Chairman to simply state that the applicable approval criteria 2 is addressed within the Staff Report. 3 4 Mr. Naemura informed Commissioner Maks that he does not necessarily share 5 that view. 6 7 Mr. Bunnell pointed out that he has attended meetings of the City Council during 8 which all applicable criteria had been read verbatim for the benefit of those in 9 attendance. 10 11 Mr. Naemura mentioned that there is different language addressing this issue 12 within the ordinance and the text, adding that staff would make certain that this 13 particular text addresses the applicable ordinance requirements. 14 15 Commissioner Maks referred to page PR-33, No. 7, regarding the procedure, and 16 questioned the appropriateness of allowing an individual to present additional 17 evidence, argument or testimony following the applicant's rebuttal and prior to 18 the end of the Public Hearing. Observing that any individual has the right to 19 20 request that the record be left open, he requested clarification of whether the intent is to provide for an additional rebuttal session. 21 22 23 Mr. Naemura advised Commissioner Maks that this is provided for within the 24 statutes. 25 Mr. Bunnell suggested that the intent might be to state that prior to the conclusion 26 of the hearing, any participant may request to hold the record open for the purpose 27 of presenting additional evidence, argument or testimony. 28 29 Mr. Naemura emphasized that the Development Code should make an attempt to 30 identify obscure statutory requirements at the level of an 8th grader, observing that 31 this would necessitate a recent application of the rules based upon what occurs at 32 that Public Hearing. 33 34 Expressing his opinion that this could be opening up a can of worms, 35 Commissioner Maks emphasized that this section still provides any individual the 36 opportunity to provide additional argument, evidence or testimony following the 37 conclusion of the Public Hearing and suggested that this be revised, if possible. 38 39 Commissioner Johansen agreed with Commissioner Maks and questioned whether 40 the Planning Commission has the option of merely holding the record open. 41 42 Commissioner Maks reiterated that following the conclusion of the hearing, an 43

individual still has the opportunity to provide additional evidence, argument or

testimony, adding that he has no recollection of this within the State statute.

Mr. Naemura noted that this sentence contains own action clause, which describes responses or choices that are available to the decision making body.

Mr. Bunnell commented that it is his understanding that the hearing can be continued or held open for a specific purpose.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that this is not what that particular section states, pointing out that it provides that an individual can provide oral testimony following the applicant's rebuttal.

Mr. Naemura commented that this section does not actually state this.

Commissioner Maks emphasized that although this section does not actually state that an individual is able to provide oral testimony following the applicant's rebuttal, he believes that any 8th grader reading it would make this interpretation.

Observing that he had discussed this issue with Mr. Sparks, Mr. Naemura stated that it might be appropriate to reopen that conversation.

Noting that the public is entitled by law to request either a continuance or that the record be left open for a certain period of time, Commissioner Maks emphasized that it should be clear that no testimony would be accepted following the applicant's rebuttal. Referring to page PR-66, he requested an expansion on the term "modification of decision", observing the Planning Director would determine whether this decision for a modification involves a Type 2 or Type 3 process.

Mr. Bunnell stated that every application listed in Chapter 40 provides for a procedure for modification of decision.

Commissioner Maks pointed out that No. 4 states that only a decision that approves or conditionally approves an application can be modified, noting that if a Type 3 application is approved and conditioned at a Public Hearing, a future revision could involve a Type 1 or a Type 2.

Mr. Bunnell referred to No. 6 on page PR-66, which provides that a change in a Condition of Approval must be approved by the same decision-making body. He pointed out that Chapter 40 addresses thresholds and the modification of a previous decision.

Commissioner Johansen referred to Item No. 4 on page PR-46, which addresses who is able to submit evidence to the City Council regarding the appeal of a Type 3 decision and questioned whether the Planning Commissioners should have the ability to provide testimony on such an issue. He expressed his opinion that while there may be, in some cases, a reason for such testimony, to his knowledge, this has not yet occurred.

 Mr. Bunnell advised Commissioner Johansen that he would attempt to find out the answer to this question.

Commissioner Barnard stated that he concurs with Commissioner Maks' first two statements, and mentioned that Section 50.95.6 is pretty well quantified on a, b, c or d, adding that it provides only four reasons allowing such a modification.

On question, Commissioner Lynott indicated that he had no comments or questions at this time.

On question, Commissioner Bliss referred to the first paragraph of page PR-19, observing that the term should be non-discretionary.

Chairman Voytilla requested that staff provide a new date on any revisions that are submitted for clarification purposes and that the revisions clearly indicate what has been deleted and added.

Commissioner Bliss referred to the second paragraph of page PR-35, Section 50.58.2, requesting that it be amended, as follows: "...no fewer **than** 10..."

Referring to page PR-13, Commissioner Maks requested clarification of the notification on a Type 1 application.

Mr. Bunnell advised Commissioner Maks that the notification on a Type 1 application is provided following the decision.

Chairman Voytilla reiterated that he is attempting to get consensus regarding the issues, noting that he would now like to address Chapter 10.

There was no response regarding Chapter 10 at this time.

Chairman Voytilla mentioned that he would now like to address Chapter 60 for consensus purposes.

Commissioners Bliss and Maks both indicated that they had issues to discuss regarding Chapter 60.

Chairman Voytilla suggested that the Public Hearing be continued for further discussion at a later date.

Mr. Bunnell stated that Mr. Sparks had suggested that this Public Hearing be continued until November 28, 2001, adding that CUP 2001-0017 – Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Conditional Use Permit is also scheduled for this date.

Commissioner Maks **MOVED** and Commissioner Barnard **SECONDED** a motion to continue 1) TA 2001-0001 – Chapter 40 Update Text Amendment; 2) TA 2001-0002 – Chapter 50 Update Text Amendment; 3) TA 2001-0003 – Chapter 10 Update Text Amendment; 4) TA 2001-0004 – Chapter 60 Update Text Amendment; 5) TA 2001-0005 – Chapter 90 Update Text Amendment; 6) TA 2001-0007 – Beaverton Municipal Code Text Amendment; and 7) TA 2001-0008 – Chapter 20 Update Text Amendment to a date certain of December 19, 2001.

Motion **CARRIED**, unanimously.

Chairman Voytilla expressed his appreciation of the efforts of staff an others involved in this update to the Development Code.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the meeting of October 3, 2001 (continued from November 7, 2001), submitted. Commissioner Maks referred to line 16 of page 14, requesting that the Recording Secretary review the tape and make certain that this is what he said. Commissioner Johansen **MOVED** and Commissioner Maks **SECONDED** a motion that the minutes be approved as written.

Motion **CARRIED**, unanimously, with the exception of Commissioners Barnard and Lynott, who abstained from voting on this issue.

Minutes of the meeting of October 17, 2001 (continued from November 7, 2001), submitted. Commissioner Johansen **MOVED** and Commissioner Bliss **SECONDED** a motion that the minutes be approved as written.

Motion **CARRIED**, unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

The meeting adjourned at 10:22 p.m.